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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Timothy E. Dickson  
Serial No. 09/599,712  
Filed: 06/22/2000  
For: MULTI-STAGE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FOR A FUELING ENVIRONMENT

Examiner: Gort, Elaine L.  
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**RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED FEBRUARY 23, 2004**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 23, 2004, Applicant offers the following amendments and remarks. If any fees are required in association with this response, the Director is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account 50-1732, and consider this a petition therefor.